

HOP ON THE BUS FOR A FARM TOUR DESIGNED TO ANSWER YOUR FARMING QUESTIONS

SEATTLE: FarmLink, a program of the Cascade Harvest Coalition, invites budding and current farmers to hop on the bus on June 20 for a fabulous, all-day tour of Puget Sound farms. The farm tour is a perfect way to go for anyone interested in learning about local agriculture.

The tour will introduce participants to the use of alternative crops, livestock and production methods for diversified farming operations. Producers at each farm will discuss challenges and opportunities that they have encountered in developing their farming enterprises. Home gardeners will learn how to select crops, and alternatives for growing healthy, delicious foods on an ongoing basis. The bus will leave McCollum Park, 600 128th St. SE in Everett, just east of Exit 186, promptly at 8:00 am, returning at 4:00 pm. Lunch will be served enroute. The cost is \$35 per person.

The farm tour includes visits to five different farms that specialize in a wide variety of vegetables, fruits and dairy products. Located in the Tualco, Snoqualmie and Sammamish valleys of Snohomish and King counties, the farmers will offer insights to the visitors on how to develop a successful farming operation.

There is limited space aboard the bus, so pre-registration is required. Register by June 13 by phone at: 206-205-6372, toll-free: 1-877-728-9453 (outside Seattle), by email at: mary@oz.net, or by mailing a check for \$35 per person, made payable to Cascade Harvest Coalition, to: 300 19th Avenue, Seattle, WA 98122.

Additional information is available by calling 206-205-6372 or by email: mary@oz.net.

FarmLink, a program of the Cascade Harvest Coalition, is designed to help people interested in farming find available farmland, help current farmers become more profitable, and help retiring farmers find new farmers to keep the land in agricultural production.

Cascade Harvest Coalition is a 501(c) 3 non-profit organization whose mission is: Building healthy food and farm systems by cultivating common ground among farming and non-farming communities. Information is available at: www.cascadeharvest.org.